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## Morinville Municipal District Annual Reeve's Report

MORINVILLE.—We have just completed our seventh year as a large municipal unit and it may interest the ratepayers to know how our expenditures have increased in that period. I hereunder quote some of the figures as they have appeared in the auditor's financial statement for the given years:

Year	Paid for Public Works	Paid for School Requisitions
1943	\$ 44,860.97	\$ 66,884.05
1944	62,103.22	65,493.02
1945	34,612.54	79,738.78
1946	55,178.66	94,935.01
1947	96,785.76	95,573.25
1948	121,147.74	123,010.76
1949	128,617.89	137,870.79

These are the big expenses which faces the council every year and the above figures plainly show the trend of increase for the seven years of operation. No new machinery became available for the first years of operation except for a scraper which was purchased in 1944 at a cost of \$7,140. Since that period, however, the municipality has purchased for \$101,727.67 worth of new machinery and although we received a new Caterpillar tractor last fall, it has been found necessary to hire equipment in each year to keep up with our public works program. Each year, your municipality has been drawing heavily on the reserve of oil tax arrears, but we have now reached the stage when we must levy the mill rate for the amount of the estimated expenditures.

During the past season, the municipality has gravelled 18½ miles of road and has re-gravelled 8 miles; there are now in the municipality a total of 121½ miles of gravelled roads; there

were 45 miles of road graded to a 20 foot standard or better during 1949 and 11 miles of road were re-graded and 4 miles were opened up. There are now in the district in addition to the 36 miles of hard surfaced government highway 121½ miles of gravelled roads, 245 miles of road graded to a 20 foot standard or better and 468½ miles of roads which are opened and reasonably passable.

Our Agricultural Service Board has been quite active during the year as will be noted in the Service Board report. The field supervisor along with the members of the board and with the approval of the council have been quite active in the organization of the "Morinville Municipal Seed Cleaning Co-op Limited" which is now operating. This will be quite an asset to the district as the farmers will now be able to have their own seed properly cleaned or be able to purchase seed from the plant which will be cleaned to the standard of the grade they wish to purchase. This will be a great help in the controlling of noxious weeds and as the facilities are for the ratepayers of the district, everyone should take advantage of same in order that when the next seed drill survey is made, there will not be any rejected seed grain seeded in the district.

The municipality has applied for Prairie Farm Assistance for the district and the inspections, I understand, are now being conducted. While it is felt that all the district may not qualify under the Act, it is also felt that several townships will qualify owing to the drought suffered during the year as well as hail and frost.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the ratepayers in the matter in which they have met their tax obligations despite the adverse conditions and the poor crops in some areas. While our tax arrears have increased by approximately \$16,000, collections were fair in considering the year. On behalf of the council, I would like to thank the ratepayers for the fair manner in which they have presented their problems to the council during the past year. As a council, we have tried to be fair but there are bound to be many things which we cannot do. In a municipality such as ours, we may be proud as ratepayers at the progress which we have made so far.

## Credit Union Annual Meeting

MORINVILLE.—On Saturday, Jan. 28 the annual meeting of the local Credit Union was held in the annex of the Community hall with 60 members present.

Mr. Adrien Sabourin was elected chairman, Mr. Roger Bougie secretary. Retiring directors for this year, Mr. E. Rousseau and Mr. Laurence Leduc. Mr. Paul Brochu tendered his resignation as director.

The annual report given by Mr. Roger Bougie showed a large margin of business gained over the past year.

The new slate of directors for the year elected are as follows: Mr. E. Rousseau, A. Sabourin, Alphonse Nobert, Hittinger Wm.

## BLIND MOTHER HAS FOURTH CHILD, DOES HER OWN HOUSEWORK



A mother who has never seen her husband or children, Mrs. Edward Stevens, 36, of Oakville, Ont., gave birth to her fourth child recently. Seen with husband, Teddy, seven, Kenneth, four, Lynda, two, and baby Bryan, she lost her sight and right hand in a percussion cap explosion when she was six. She does all housework and is the "best cook in the whole work," according to her husband.

## Ratepayers Meeting Thibeault R.C. School

MORINVILLE.—Annual ratepayers meeting of R.C. Thibeault school was held last Friday evening with 18 people present. Mr. W. Lahonte was elected chairman and Mr. Paul Brochu secretary. The annual reports were read and accepted.

The highlight of the meeting was the announcement that the new school cost was \$52,000. The original contract was \$45,000. Debentures have been sold at par 99, interest set at 4½ per cent.

Total number of students enrolled 286 in elementary classes, and 85 in high school. Inspector R. G. Scott's were read, it was noted that physical instruction and science need improvement, along with a greater amount of reference books.

It was agreed by all present at the meeting that no repitition of the ditto machine or encyclopedia would be permitted. All school needs will be requisitioned by the teachers to the school board for their consideration and approval.

It was also announced by Mr. W. Lahonte that the cost of the encyclopedia will be paid in full by the school board. Motion was also made to stop absenteeism and late arrival at classes by students. The co-operation of the parents is asked in this matter by the board.

At the close of the meeting, all present were conducted on a tour in the new school now in the finishing stage.

Brenneis, M. L'Hirondelle, and A. Turgeon. Supervisory committee of three members were elected as follows: Mr. Paul Brochu, Adrien Gibeau, Mrs. Louise Billo. The Credit Committee also consisting of three members are not to be made public.

Mr. Roger Bougie will continue as bank manager, assisted by Mr. Charles Krauskopf. The financial statement shows year's income \$2,844.53 and expenses of \$2,342.71. This left a net income of \$501.82. Added to 1948's undivided earnings of \$67.45, a total of \$569.27 was left as profit before payment of dividends. A 1½ per cent dividend was paid, however, leaving \$63.33 in the fund.

## Junior FUA At Vimy

VIMY.—A meeting to organize a Junior FUA local was held on Friday at the school, with Walter Van de Walle, district representative from Legal as speaker.

Albert Blanchette as temporary chairman opened the meeting and introduced Walter who explained the purpose of such an organization and their need in the country.

Nominations resulted in the following executive: President, Johnny Dussault; vice-president, Robert Huot; secretary, Albert Blanchette.

The meeting decided to elect directors at the next meeting when more members could be present.

Any young farmers from the ages of 16 to 27 may become members. If you are not yet a member, you can enter by giving your name to any one of the executive board of the local. It is definitely in your interest to become members now, boys and girls.

## Board of Trade Honors Vimy Master Farmer

The Morinville Board of Trade assisted by the Legal Board of Trade were hosts to about 250 people on Wednesday evening of last week. The occasion was the formal presentation of the \$1,000 award and the plaque won by Mr. Joe Dussault and family of Vimy, councillor on the municipal board.

At the head table were Mr. Art Soetart, president of the Morinville Board of Trade; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dussault and members of the family, Jacques Armonda, Jean Germain and Francoise, Hon. O. Ure, Hon. L. Maynard, Mr. Jorgenson, M.L.A. Mr. Sidney Lea, Miss R. Whaley, Mr. E. Tessier, Mr. A. H. Newcombe, and Mr. J. M. Fontaine and Rev. Nestor.

After a delicious banquet served by Mrs. Diana Robert assisted by Mrs. Adrien Voyer, Mr. Lea gave a short address of welcome, followed by Mr. E. Tessier. Mr. Soetart then introduced Hon. D. Ure, minister of agriculture who presented Mrs. Dussault with a thimble and Mr. Dussault a special plaque Mr. Dussault then expressed his gratitude for the complimentary dinner and presentation. Mrs. Dussault also received a

## MORINVILLE NEWS

MORINVILLE.—Mr. Roland Lambert underwent another operation this week and is reported very ill, in the General Hospital.

Mr. Jack Truscott is wearing a new type of head dress for the past week, the result of a minor operation.

Mr. Sidney Clark of Loffland Drilling Co. was injured when he fell at the rig. He suffered two broken ribs and cracked two others.

On the occasion of Mrs. Sidney Clark's birthday a few friends gathered to celebrate at her home.

A party of local friends who left to visit Mr. and Mrs. Art Mont Pellier at Dapp must have received a most warm welcome, since they have not returned.

People who are worthless are not talked about very much. It is the man who is trying to make the most of his time and talents who is a target for the abuse and aspirations of jealous minds.

lovely bouquet of red carnations on this occasion, presented by Mrs. Art Soetart. Hon. Lucien Maynard then adjourned the assembly.

Mr. Soetart then introduced A. H. Newcombe, director of extension; Miss Whaley, district home economist, who both gave short speeches; and Mr. J. M. Fontaine, district agriculturist.

Other contestants of Better Farm awards were also present.

A short musical program was rendered. This successful affair was brought to a close with a note of thanks from Mr. Lion St. Martin, president of Legal Board of Trade, and the singing of God Save the King.

## Sports Association Dance

MORINVILLE.—On Friday, Jan. 28, a dance sponsored by Morinville Community Sports Association was poorly attended on account of severe cold weather and drifting snow. Only three members of the orchestra were in attendance.

## Excelsior Well Oil Flows In 18 Minutes

MORINVILLE.—The new Excelsior Oil well a few miles east of here has become a "respectable" oil field. On a recent test the Pacific Petroleum Excelsior No. 1 sent oil surging to the surface in 18 minutes. This com pares with some of the best D-2 wells known. And the end is not yet. Further coring is continuing at five feet intervals.

During the test the well flowed gas at the rate of 123,000 cubic feet a day. The test was of a 12 foot interval 3,861 to 3,873 feet. Bottom of tested zone was 28 feet in D-2 which had been contacted at 3,845 feet.

D-2 was contacted four feet lower than the Imperial discovery but much higher than the Rio Bravo success. The zone is thicker than the 20 foot pay thickness in the Imperial well as indicated by the present depth.

Pacific Petroleum has a substantial well on its Excelsior quarter one mile east of the Imperial Excelsior discovery. On an earlier drill stem test there was an oil rise of 1,060 feet in one hour. The test was of the interval 3,554 feet to 3,563 feet. The top of the D-2 occurred at 3,545 feet.

Other wells drilling in the vicinity are Central Del Rio, 3,845 feet; Leduc Calmar, 2,600 feet; Rio Bravo Carruthers, 1,015 feet.

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## WE ALL WANT GAS SERVICE

When the proposal to pipe natural gas out of the province was first made, there were two resolutions passed by many Boards of Trade in Alberta towns. These were:

1. Before gas is exported, be sure we have enough for home consumption and export for at least 50 years.
2. Before we send gas to Vancouver, Seattle of Edmonton—let's have it right here in our own town.

The provincial legislature provided for safeguards in the first point. Experts have to find adequate reserves of gas in Alberta before any is exported.

On the second point, however, there is still no established policy. The government of Alberta should see to it that, in arranging exports, pipe lines will be established WITHIN the province itself to assure that Alberta towns, where a good many Albertans live, will get natural gas service.

That is the gist of a recent editorial in the Olds Gazette, which has been freely and severely criticized by the Calgary Albertan. It's probably a long time since the editor of the Albertan has had to leave his plush carpeted office and cosy home (gas) fireplace in Calgary to stoke a reluctant coal or wood-burning heater. He thinks it is very short-sighted of the people of Olds to want natural gas before it is piped to distant and foreign points.

But we don't. With any plan to export Alberta's natural gas we maintain that a definite plan to provide the towns and villages of the province with gas service must be included. Any system giving gas service to scores of Alberta towns along the way, is what Albertans want. In the grid system of gathering, attention should be paid also to the importance of supplying the largest number of this province's towns and villages.

And with the royalties taken from the sale of natural gas the province can pay to subsidize extension of supply lines to other towns more remote from gathering lines and the trunk system.

## BALANCING THE FARM SUPPORT PROGRAM

Severe criticism from the big metropolitan centres is being levelled at the dominion government for its policy of price support. It has gone so far that Agriculture Minister Gardiner has been accused of pegging the price of wheat too high. Together with meat products, however, wheat has required no price support of any kind. There is still plenty of demand to assure farmers of fair returns of grains and meat. But, as in the price structure of eggs, a small surplus can depress the whole market, and that is what makes government price support policy necessary.

The United States government has had much more experience in floor price policies than our own government.

Crop production was pretty good in the United States in 1949 and the government, under its price support programs, had to take over a vast amount of farm products. This does not mean that most of the money invested in these commodities will be lost. Some may be but bad weather and poor crops might change the picture in 1950 and enable the government to make a profit on some of its supplies. This has happened before.

Over a long period, therefore, it may be proven that support of farm prices by buying up surplus crops when yields are good is as sensible as putting money in a savings account, when income is high, just to have something available for a "rainy day."

But if we have a succession of years of big crops, and consequent heavy buying by the government, an equitable system of reducing crops by the necessary 10, 15 or 20 per cent of surplus will bring the farm price support program into balance. A cut in production, which will mean a reduction in plantings will be deployed in some circles but it would be extremely foolish to Canadian farmers to plan bumper crops year after year with no prospect of the government disposing of the surplus.

## KEEP DRUNKS FROM DRIVING

A man who has made it his business to gather data in connection with automobile accidents expresses the belief that possibly half of them are caused by drinking drivers.

If this statement be correct, it indicates that more stringent supervision of those who drive automobiles is advisable. The only way to establish the incorrectness of the assertion is through a more rigorous examination of all drivers involved in accidents.

The driver of an automobile, speeding on the highways at what the law permits today, is supposed to be in control of a vehicle that is potentially dangerous. Drivers of such vehicles, therefore, should be required to keep themselves in a condition proportionate to the public need. This supposition, however, is not enough to safeguard pedestrians not engaged in automobile driving. Possibly, strict enforcement of existing statutes, with severe punishment of offenders, will do the work. It should be tried in Alberta.

## SCRIPTURAL MEDITATIONS

By AINSLEY BLAIR

"Jesus says, Abide in Me." These words convey the idea of rest, stability, confidence. Again He invites, "Come unto Me . . . and I will give you rest," Matt. 11:28, 29. The words of the psalmist express the same thought: Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him. And Isaiah gives the assurance, "In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength." Isa. 30:15.

"This rest is not found in inactivity; for in the Saviour's invitation the promise of rest is united with the call to labor: 'Take My yoke upon you . . . and ye shall find rest,' Matt. 11:29. The heart that rests most fully upon Christ will be most earnest and active in labor for Him."

—Steps to Christ.

## THE EXPLANATION

Mrs. Youngbride — Now I know why it was Dick went to work this morning singing as I never heard him sing before. Neighbor — What was it? Mrs. Youngbride — I made a mistake and gave him birdseed for breakfast instead of breakfast food.

## GUESSTWORK

An English story: Shronk stopped his motor car at a desolate crossroads and yelled to a farmer who lay on a cart of fertilizer: "Hey, Cornsilk, is this the way to Croynod?" The farmer named himself from the fertilizer in astonishment. "By heck, stranger, how did you know my name is Cornsilk?" he asked.

"I guessed it," said the motorist. "Then by heck," said the farmer as he drove on, "guess your way to Croynod."

## That Gas Line

From OLDS GAZETTE

This newspaper has been in receipt of a barrage of mail from the Westcoast Transconco Inc. in regard to their proposed route for the transportation of Alberta gas to the main centres in B.C. Now we don't know who the Westcoast people are nor for that matter do we care but one thing that seems ridiculous to us is for these people to think that for one moment we will believe that they want to get the gas to the coast by the all-Canadian route to sell gas to the consumers in Vancouver and New Westminster only. In fact we think we can safely say that it can't be done, and give the investors a run for their money.

Nor do we think that the government of the province of Alberta will create a monopoly for Westcoast or any other transmission pipeline. All of which boils down to the fact that the quicker more companies enter the field and set up under the Dominion Government Companies Act, the quicker we in Olds are going to get gas. We personally don't care if the pipelines go to Tim Buc Too as long as they pass close enough to this town to guarantee us a supply of gas. We think in the long run that this will be the governing factor in the consideration of any application for export of Alberta's natural gas.

## Ling Fish Aid Fur Farmers

When your wife or sweetheart tires of the mink coat she now has, sends it to the Salvation Army and puts the bee on you for \$6,000 to buy a new one, don't be surprised. She's probably heard that fur ranchers on the shores of Lac la Biche, 150 miles northeast of Edmonton are marketing a newer, better mink fur from mink fed on ling fish.

The fur industry has had its ups and downs. I recall learning in high school that Prince Edward Island was famous for its all-



T. W. Pue, news.

ver fox ranches that had made some people wealthy. Before baby bonuses were initiated fur ranchers could live very well by trapping a fox a day and the breeding and raising of foxes in captivity was a profitable business.

MILADY CHANGES MIND

But something happened to the style-consciousness of the lady of fashion who decided that short, close furs such as mink were more fashionable than the long trailing foxes. Result is that today mink are worth \$40.00 to \$60.00 and wild fox skins about \$15.00.

But what was bad for fox ranchers in Prince Edward Island was good for mink men in Alberta. And on the shores of Lac la Biche mink ranchers were doing well as long as they could take fish from the big lake. When the commercial fish crop failed, and a ban was placed on fishing, a source of cheap, good, mink food was cut off and with it the profits from fur farming.

## LING FISH TO RESCUE

Now, then, last winter, the fur ranchers of Lac la Biche were happy again. They've been able to catch a non-palatable fish that seems to be plentiful in the lake.

## Suicidal Lemmings On Death March

Calgary Albertan

The call of the deep has lured the lemming into its periodical and fatal migration to the sea again this year.

The little Arctic rodent doesn't know it, but the trek from the parol regions to the open sea is his death march. But even if the lemming were aware of the watery grave at the end of the migration, it is doubtful that the urge for self-destruction would be deterred. This freak obsession for death has run in the lemming family for centuries, to the point where the little rodent has become a symbol of the suicide urge.

## IGNORE OBSTACLES

Every two to four years, according to the National Geographic Society, the lemmings succumb to their fears and peculiar ancestral drives and seek relief in mass flight. In hordes, the rodents swarm down the mountains, swim rivers, drive through forests, and advance slowly toward the sea regardless of obstacles.

It is called "Ling" or "Marias" and, high in Vitamin A, resulted in healthy mink stock, high breeding rate, low losses and animals fed the scavenger Ling fish obtained from rich fur coats.

## CATCHING TECHNIQUE

It seems the Ling fish loiters along the bottom of the lake and can be caught with strings of large hooks which are dropped to the floor of the lake near the shore. John Insch of Lac la Biche is credited with using the method first and here's about how it's done:

Two holes are bored through the ice as far apart as the length of the Ling fish. One end of the line is attached to a small, short board called a "jigger." This is pushed into the water under the ice and manipulated by the line towards the other hole. When it reaches that point the "jigger" is pulled out and the line is "played" from both holes until it lies on the floor of the lake with hooks and bait attached.

The ling fish scavenging the bottom of the lake are caught just like any other fish and pulled to the surface at regular intervals.

## RABBITS 3 for 1c

Rabbit fur is valueless at Lac la Biche this year. One buyer is paying 1c for 3 skins just in case the market should amount to something some day. The gas cycle is approaching its apex, due in two years. Coyotes are about as long as they get as a good skin fetching 50c.

But who knows? Our fickle lady of fashion may decide next year that coyote is more becoming than ever, and the price will go up. It all depends on the whims of an unnamed group of stylists in London, Paris or New York or some place else.

Fur prices are something like the weather. We can talk about them but nobody but the furrier knows what they can do anything about them.

Thousands die during the migration, which may last from one to three years. But the march of the rodents never ceases until they reach the sea, into which they plunge and drown.

The lemmings are kin to the familiar house and field mice. They are four to five inches long and tawny-yellowish in color. They have a short tail, furry feet and small ears.

## LEGENDS DISCOUNTED

Legend has it that the migrating lemmings in northern Scandinavia march to the North Sea and try to swim it in a vain search for the lost continent of Atlantis. Another legend has it for the strange behavior of the animals is that he is simply following the ancestral migratory habits dating back to the days when the North Sea might have been a land mass.

Modern experts, however, tend to dismiss such theories and explain the migratory habits of the lemmings as nothing but enforced response to the rodent's version of the Malthusian law—it's just a case of too many lemmings and not enough Arctic moss to eat. There always seem to be a few social misfits among the lemmings—those who prefer life in the Arctic to death. A small segment of the colony does not join in the trek but remains in the deserted home to establish a new crop.

## Ha-Ha and Ho-Ho

From NORTH-WEST MINER

Social Crediters held a convention in Calgary last fall and evidently, without consulting the leaders, some "wag" introduced a resolution suggesting that the Social Credit government should start giving everyone a bonus of \$1.00 a month without working. This of course was in line with the spectacular platform of the late William Aberhart, that that time, according to the Little Blue Manual everyone was to get \$25.00 a month—later increased to \$600.000 a year.

What a change has occurred over the years in the attitude of the present Social Credit government and its key supporters. This was fully illustrated when the new resolution was introduced. Everyone is said to have laughed Ha-Ha and a few laughed Ho-Ho.

## THE OLD HOME TOWN

Approved by A. Power Office

By STANLEY



## STURGEON MUNICIPAL DISTRICT COUNCIL IN SESSION



Readers of Community Publications papers, in Municipal District of Sturgeon, and others, have here a "look-in" on the council in session. Taken at the January meeting, the picture shows from left to right: Reeve J. W. Rowsell, Deputy Reeve Joe McLean, Councillors Steve Radomski, Henry Stack and Clive Potter. Secretary treasurer A. Walters completes the picture on extreme right.

## Two Sturgeon Councillors Have Each Served 30 Years

EDMONTON — The Municipal District of Sturgeon, with offices in the main Bank of Montreal building, here in the Capitol City, has two veteran councillors who

have served a total of 60 years in council work.

Postmaster at Gibbons, Alberta, and a pioneer in the district, is Mr. Joe McLean, who farmed 1½ miles north of Gibbons and was one of the early settlers in the district. As councillor for Division No. 2, Mr. McLean is due to seek the voting confidence of district ratepayers this year for another three-year term. Rumor has it that Mr. McLean may instead seek the quiet of retirement from public life, but the odds are that if he chooses to run again he will be successful in getting another three-year term.

A resident of the Legal district, Henry Stack also has had 30 years' experience on the municipal

council. Mr. Stack owns a section of land five miles east of Legal, and as his term in office does not expire this year may end up with the record of years of service for the municipal district, if Mr. McLean does not run again in 1950.

Son of an old-timer in the North Edmonton district, is Reeve T. W. Rowsell. His father, G. H. Rowsell, settled first in the district at a point which is now three miles north of North Edmonton along 50th Street. The reeve still carries on a successful farming operation in the same district.

A dairymaster of no small means is Councillor Clive R. Potter whose farm is in the Sunnyside district. This is the place where the first Community Hall in that section of the country was built and the first municipal meetings were held in it in the early days.

Steve Radomski, youngest member of the council is retiring from council after five years' service. He has recently bought a hotel in Edson and is leaving the district to operate the business there. This will mean call for election in Division No. 5 this year.

A veteran of municipal district service is A. Walters, secretary treasurer. For 17 years Mr. Walters was secretary of the Municipal District of Sterling, with offices at Killam, Alberta, before the merger there with Flagstaff. He has been secretary-treasurer of Sturgeon for six years. W. S. Murray has been his assistant since August, 1945.

Mrs. Jean McFadden is the daughter of Lee McMillan, an old-timer who lives on the Port Trail. Mrs. McFadden has served 16 years as office assistant for the municipal district.

The annual meeting of ratepayers will be held in the hamlet of Gibbons at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, February 18th. At that time the plan of supplying all resident ratepayers with copies of Community Publications newspapers, carrying news and advertising of the municipal district will be presented for ratification.

## TIMELY FARM NOTES

### FERTILIZATION FOR 1950

Canadian farmers have been using more commercial fertilizers in recent years as a profitable way of increasing yields and improving the quality of crops. In 1949 some 740,000 tons were used, an increase of 60,000 tons over that used in 1948, and it is expected that there will be further increase in 1950.

During the war years commercial fertilizers were in short supply because some of the ingredients were required for war purposes, and others were not available due to the dislocations arising from the war. Fortunately that situation no longer exists supplies, and most kinds of fertilizers are expected to be adequate for Canadian farmers in 1950.

The supply of nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash chemicals is now ample, partly through loss of the export market for Canadian and American production to sterling area countries, which were formerly important outlets for Canadian nitrogen fertilizers. Nitrogen fertilizer production in Canada is declining to the level of market demands in the United States and Canada.

Superphosphates and other phosphatic fertilizer supplies are now more than sufficient, partly due to the reduced export demand for American production. Canadian manufacturers of mixed fertilizers can now obtain all the superphosphate they may need from American producers.

Ammonium phosphate, produced in western Canada, is still scarce due mainly to the increasing use of 11-48 ammonium phosphate in Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. These provinces expected to take all of the output at Trail, B.C., in 1950, and still be short of supplies. There will be an adequate supply of potash in 1950.

### PREVENTING YOUNG PIG LOSSES

Losses among young pigs due to reduced resistance from lack of vitamins and minerals are quite common during the winter months. The winter sunshine at Edmonton contains only 6 per cent of the ultra violet light found in summer sunshine. This factor, plus continuous housing deprives pigs of the healthful benefits of the sun's rays. Nor do they get minerals from the soil such as when they pick up when on summer pasture.

In spite of publicity on the prevention of pig anaemia during the

past few years, piglets are still received at the Alberta Veterinary Laboratory, Edmonton, either dead or suffering from iron deficiency. When a piglet is anemic it is also more susceptible to pneumonia, coughs and scours. All little pigs should be given reduced iron on the third, tenth and seventeenth days of life as a routine preventative measure. They should also get half a teaspoonful of cod liver or fish oil, weekly or more often until after weaning. There should always be some in the ration during winter feeding to help prevent rickets and crippling. The cod liver oil will also help eliminate scurfiness.

Going back further, it must be remembered that the health and vigor of the litter at the time of birth and during the nursing period depends on the nutrition of the sow or gilt. Many Alberta farmers are feeding one, or two ounces of cod liver oil daily the last two months of pregnancy and during the nursing period getting healthier, more vigorous litters which mature rapidly.

When litters of pigs are born dead or hairless, a deficiency of iodine should be suspected. This condition can be prevented by feeding one tablespoonful of potassium iodine solution daily to the pregnant sow. This solution is made by dissolving two ounces of potassium iodine in one gallon of water.

Pigs of all ages are received in the laboratory affected with an enteritis condition caused by excessive fibres in feeds. A post mortem recently revealed whole barley kernels with the awns still on them. Young pigs should be started on ground oat groats, or a commercial starter and never receive rough, coarse feed composed of hulls, chaff or awns.

Housing free from draughts, overcasting, chilling or excessive moisture are factors to consider in reducing the mortality among young pigs.



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Projected purchase into the television networks by the motion pictures, has heightened conjectures on the date of establishment of transcontinental TV hookups.

While the move may possibly be frowned upon by the Federal Communications Commission because of its possible monopolistic features, entrance of the movies into television is regarded as a "natural." Television, which has such a voracious appetite for dramatic material, can increasingly use more and more of the output of Hollywood studios.

It is conceded that movie production for home television would consist of lower-budgeted films especially designed for telecasting, rather than the long feature films which are exhibited at the local movie house.

Another form of TV in which the motion picture companies and film exhibitors are investigating is "theatre television."

As envisioned, films would be telecast nation-wide from Hollywood into theatres all over the nation specially equipped with large size projection screens.

The FCC, in fact, has scheduled hearings on the subject on peti-

tions brought by a number of exhibitors. The film companies presumably would gain back the cost of production through TV theatre admissions.

**EAST-WEST LINK EYED**

The American Telephone & Telegraph Company, reporting progress on the first anniversary of its East-Midwest video network, put the wedding of the East and West Coasts by TV links from two to four years off.

One year ago this week, A. T. & T. put its coaxial cable from Philadelphia to Cleveland into operation linking the East with the Midwest and doubling video network facilities. Today, the network connects 25 cities with nearly 9,000 miles of circuit—and by the end of 1950, it will link 43 cities with 15,000 miles of lines.

A. T. & T. said that suitable sites for radio relay stations beyond Omaha, Neb. are now being selected and other engineering work is under way toward the completion of a transcontinental TV service. The cross-country route, it is conjectured, will probably go by way of Omaha, Denver, Salt Lake City, and Sacramento to San Francisco.

**RADIO RELAYS COSTLY**

The transcontinental television route, it is also estimated, will be by radio relay all the way, inasmuch as this method of transmission is a wider path than the coaxial cable. On the other hand, radio relay systems are much more expensive to build and to operate.

The East and West Coasts have been linked for some months now by coaxial cable, the telephone company reported, over a south-

ern route between New York and Los Angeles. Though there have been no plans for equipping the route for television all the way, the consummation of a movie-TV network agreement would unquestionably hasten the demand for a coast-to-coast TV route.

This possibility would hasten transcontinental TV programs ahead of the completion of the all-radio route.

**FCC NAD CITED**

Plans for extension of TV hookup facilities depend, too, on how soon the FCC will lift its ban on the issuance of TV station permits, which has been in effect since September, 1948. The commission has been exploring the possibilities of use of the higher frequencies and the integration of color TV into its proper place with black-and-white television.

When these questions have been brought nearer to a solution, the FCC may be disposed to speed the further growth of television.

In the meantime, the possibility of a fifth TV network has been spurred by the disclosure by Variety, trade magazine of the amusement industry, that Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer and the Mutual Broadcasting System have been negotiating on terms of a possible merger. While it is recognized that the FCC might object to the ownership of the network by MGM, it might not object to the motion-picture company as the major supplier of TV programs for Mutual.

**RESERVOIR OF STARS**

If such a merger is permitted, a reservoir of MGM stars and other production advantages would be available to Mutual. The deal would also spur MBS to develop itself in television, as, up to now, it has done little in that field.

At the same time, Variety said that negotiations have been carried on between Twentieth Century-Fox and the American Broadcasting Company for a similar type of merger. It would not be difficult, furthermore, to complete such an arrangement between other networks. Paramount, for instance, owns a substantial block of stock in DuMont; and RKO Pictures is a subsidiary of the Radio Corporation of America, which also controls the National Broadcasting Company.

Mergers of this type will go a long way toward providing many more hours of television program material, which is a major problem to the TV networks.

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Among the refugees who "may never have another opportunity to leave," according to JDC chairman Edward M. Warburg, are Jews in Poland whose permits to leave that country expire Aug. 15; displaced Jews waiting to come here before the Displaced Persons Act expires in July, and others leaving Moslem areas under emergency conditions.

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"When the Edmonton-Superior pipeline was announced, many thought it was the answer. Now that the cheering has died down, a more sober appraisal of the situation has caused many to change their minds."

"In fact, there is a growing feeling that by the time oil starts flowing to Superior on its way to eastern markets, the over-all market problem may be even more acute than it is today."

"At present time estimated efficient production of oil from existing wells in Alberta runs around 125,000 barrels daily. But only some 85,000 barrels are being marketed—all in the three prairie provinces. Daily market to be made available in Ontario areas once the pipeline is completed and sufficient storage and tankers made available also runs around 65,000 barrels. But facilities to take full advantage of this market couldn't be available before 1962 at best. In other words we have potential oil production in Alberta now for the total indicated market that won't be attainable until 1952. But what will the oil supply picture be by that time?" Hope lies in exports to the heavily populated areas in the western United States.

## When The Newspaper Doesn't Come!

My father says the paper he reads ain't put up right;  
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He says there ain't a single thing in it worth to read,  
And that it doesn't print the kind of stuff the people need;  
He tosses it aside and says its strictly on the bum  
But you ought to hear him holler when the paper doesn't come.

He reads about the weddings and he snorts like all get out;  
He reads the social doin's with a moat derisive shout.  
He says they make the paper for the women folks alone;  
He'll read about the parties and he'll hime and fret and groan,  
He says of information it doesn't have a crumb—  
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He is always first to grab it and he reads it plum clean through.  
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## '49 Big Year For Prison

CHICAGO—Cook County Jail had its biggest "guest list" in postwar years in 1949, Warden Chester L. Fordney reports.

On Nov. 2 there were 1,280 prisoners, the largest number of inmates there at one time since the Prohibition era. The average daily population at the jail was 1,158.

In commenting on the "popularity" of quarters there, Fordney said: "I have a fine jail."

## No Cabinet Changes With Alta. Members

EDMONTON.—Liberal member of the Dominion Parliament for Edmonton West, George Prudham, stated that rumors of his being elevated to a cabinet post were unfounded. Conjecture is that Mr. Prudham is slated for the cabinet in the near, but not immediate future.

Senator James A. MacKinnon has agreed to remain in the cabinet for the time being as minister without portfolio and Alberta's representative.

No early appointment of another Alberta minister now is anticipated although there have been reports that George Prudham (L—Edmonton West, will get the promotion.

Appointment of a new Alberta lieutenant-governor is expected around the end of the month. He would succeed Hon. J. C. Bowen, who will retire Feb. 1.

Another appointment coming up is that of a chief justice for Alberta's supreme court. It may be made next week.

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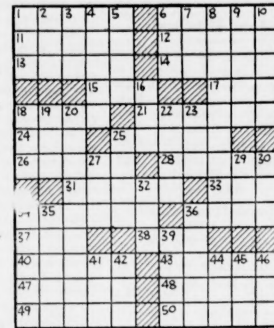
## Crossword Puzzle

### ACROSS

1. Severe
6. Possessed with homicidal mania
11. Hawaiian greeting
12. Genua
13. Fold as cloth
14. Follow
15. Seine
17. Lamprey
18. Playing card
21. Mature people
22. Nocturnal bird
25. Charred part of a wick
26. Web-footed birds
28. Dips out, as water
31. Small bottles
33. Coin (Fr.)
34. Triple
36. A conjunction
37. Goddess of death (Norse)
38. Female deer
40. Egg-shaped
43. Herring-like fish
47. Spanish title for "Mr."
48. River (Fr.)
49. Church officer
50. Norse god of the sea

### DOWN

1. A casual occurrence
2. Entire amount
3. Spawn of fish
4. The leg
5. Detest
6. Grow old
7. Adult males
8. Not grasping
9. Vinegar bottle
10. Lowest members of ships' frameworks
16. Convert into leather
18. Trot
19. Solemn wonder
20. U.S. president
22. Confers knight hood upon
23. City (Russia)
25. Valuable marine animal
27. A blood relation
29. Larva of eyethread-worm
30. Source of light
32. Guided
34. Plural of that
35. A celebration
36. American Indian tent
39. Mountain of Thesaly
41. Digit
42. Blunder
43. Equip
45. Keel-billed cuckoo (mus.)
46. Thrice



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## Large Gas Reserves Found North of Edmonton, Alta.

In the hearing of Westcoast Transmission Company's application in Calgary last week, fresh interest in the areas north of Edmonton was invoked. Dr. A. W. Nausa, a geologist, told the commission that the Cardiff Giant No. 1 well, recently completed, has a gas flow of 5,000,000 cubic feet per day. This well is three miles south-east of Morinville and approximately two miles outside the "Morinville pool."

He said this well has increased the proven reserves in the Morinville field from 740 to 872 billion cubic feet and the marketable reserves from 667 to 784 billion cubic feet. The proven acreage had been increased by 5,905 acres; formerly it was 33,095 acres.

Exploratory drilling for oil in the northern part of Alberta during the past year resulted in a number of gas discoveries, nine of which were considered as significant, said Dr. Nausa. These were: Boyle, Lac la Biche, Picardville, Bailey Long Island, Bon Accord, Ashmont, Golden Spike, Excelsior and Castor.

Accord, Ashmont, Golden Spike, Excelsior and Castor.

The brief says between Edmonton and Athabasca a large amount of exploratory drilling has taken place in the past year, and a large percentage of these wells have found gas. Some of these might well be in the same pool or extensions of pools.

### ADD GAS RESERVES

"If these fields were joined in the manner suggested, it would add several hundred billion cubic feet to the gas reserves of the province," said the submission. Further the brief says 13 gas pools have been selected from the 14 Alberta pools as being sufficiently close to the proposed pipeline to be considered available. The total recoverable reserves of these pools is 3,360 billion cubic feet.

These pools with the marketable reserves in billions of cubic feet are listed as follows: Athabasca, 14; Boyle, five; Picardville, 2; Legal, 16; Bailey Long Island, 14; Morinville, 667 (revised to 784); Bon Accord, 26; Excelsior, 35; Golden Spike, 25; Leduc-Woodbend, 576; Stettler, 36; Jumping Pound, 671; Pincher Creek, 1,252.

## Editor's Daughter Proves A Great Boon To Paper

MISSOULA, Mont. — Things didn't look so good for a recent edition of Missoula Times' C. J. Doherty, publisher, was stricken and hospitalized by a heart attack. He wasn't going to be able to do his usual selling job along Missoula's busy business streets.

But Doherty hadn't played his ace. When he did, well, look at the results. The Times went to press with more than 1,000 inches of advertisements!

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## Pope Pius Rules Church Recognizes Protestant Baptisms

VATICAN CITY — Baptism conferred by Protestant sects is valid in the eyes of the Roman Catholic Church, the holy office ruled recently.

Replying to questions put by United States bishops, the holy office declared that the Roman Catholic Church recognizes baptism according to the rites of Methodists, Baptists, Congregationalists, Presbyterians and Disciples of Christ.

The means that Roman Catholic judges are barred from granting divorces to non-conformists of the sects named, whose baptism is recognized as valid and whose marriage, according to their own rites, is therefore accepted as Christian marriage by the Roman Catholic Church.

The question arose from the recent statement by the pope that Roman Catholic judges may not grant a divorce to persons whose marriage the Roman Catholic Church recognizes as valid.

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## Federation Asks Price Support Policy

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont.—Government price supports for farm products stood out as the main topic of the 14th annual meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture.

H. H. Hannam of Ottawa introduced the question in his presidential address, at the opening session of the two-day meeting, when he called for permanent support as a necessary step to a proper balance in the national economy.

The subject was stressed in closed pre-convention meetings of the federation's directors who boiled down a lengthy list of resolutions. It was a prime topic among delegates in informal talks.

Formal debate was expected to gather steam after an address to the convention by Agriculture Minister Gardiner during the day. The minister threw some light on the question in a CBC farm forum broadcast from here Monday night.

Mr. Hannam, in his 10th presidential address Tuesday, said that unemployment in Canada, already cause for concern, will "rapidly become much more serious" if farm purchasing power continues to decline.

Reading from a prepared 14-page text, he estimated that if conditions which prevailed in 1929-33 returned in the next four years unemployment figures would soar to 1,500,000.

"We believe the Canadian economy can be maintained on a lower price basis," he said. "We must protest, however, the forcing down of farm prices from 1949 levels unless and until prices of those goods and services which farmers must buy show a corresponding decline."

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## Crude Oil Output Higher For Week

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Average gross production last week was 4,962,300 barrels, compared with 5,472,850 a year ago.

Refineries operated at 83.8 per cent of potential while running 5,513,000 barrels of crude oil to stills daily. The daily average of the previous week was 5,487,000 barrels with refineries operating at 83.4 per cent of capacity. A year ago runs were 5,642,000 barrels a day.

Heavy fuel oil production last week was estimated at 8,266,000 barrels, compared with 8,059,000 the previous week and 9,507 a year ago.

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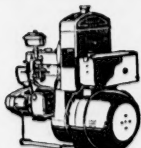
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Dear Louisa:

I am engaged to a girl who I have thought was perfectly wonderful until a few weeks ago. Up until then I thought she was everything fine and I could not understand how she could be so good and still be human.

And then one day my sister laughed and said that Sally didn't need a press agent—that she was always telling people what a special person she was and how fastidious she was and how the family couldn't do without her. I got mad and said some harsh things but sister kept on laughing and said that some day I

would wake up and she hoped it wouldn't be too late.

Well, since then I have noticed little things she does and says about herself that I'm not so sure are true. One of the family said something about her bad temper the other day and on a camping trip I found out that she didn't know how to boil an egg although she had told me about all the cooking she had done.

She has always insisted that one thing she didn't do was to talk about people, but since I got to thinking it seems to me that she knows something bad about most people we mention.

This situation has me worried. If she lies about some things, maybe she is telling truths about everything. I am all muddled up about her. What would you advise me to do?

PUZZLED, Ark.

Answer:

Some girls enjoy dramatizing themselves. They are really very conceited and like to imagine themselves as the peerless creatures they set themselves up to be. They talk about themselves so much that they almost convince themselves that they are what they say they are. And it is very easy to convince someone who is infatuated with them of practically anything.

A real test is in being around them enough in their own homes under all kinds of circumstances. They usually show their true colors there, if you stay long enough.

Personally, I prefer a girl who is natural, who admits that she is no angel but who has a good disposition. I'd beware of the girls who are always back-biting someone. They can turn out to be dangerous creatures notwithstanding the good things they can say about themselves.

LOUISA.

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### Plane Yoo-Hoo Cost Pilot \$100

DETROIT.—Neighbors failed to appreciate greetings from the air from ironworker Colonel E. Hamilton when he swooped low in a rented airplane over their rooftops and waggled the plane's wings. Besides, it cost him \$100. Hamilton was fined that amount by Recorder's Judge John P. Scallen and placed on probation for one year when he pleaded guilty to low flying.

"I was just saying hello to my neighbors," Hamilton told Judge Scallen.

"Yo said hello in the wrong manner and to the wrong people," Judge Scallen remarked.

Police Lt. Harold Weidman, who lives near Hamilton, was the complainant. He said Hamilton dived twice at the neighborhood, once with his motor cut, and both times under 250 feet altitude—sufficient to get plane's license number.

Judge Scallen also recommended that Hamilton's pilot's license be suspended for a year.

### Fur-Lined

BIRMINGHAM, Mich.—Unable to open a clogged storm sewer, city workmen dug into it and discovered it was blocked by six dead muskrats.

## Entries Down in City Curling 'Spiei

EDMONTON.—Last week's entries in the Alberta Association 33rd bonspiel were well below registration for 1949.

A total of 42 outside towns are represented in the 'spiei, but many places regularly in the thick of the curling fry are among the missing. A check-over from last year reveals that towns not represented this year include Alliance, Athabasca, Cadogan, Crossfield, Innisfree, Killam, Provost, Ribstone, Vermilion and Willingdon.

Alberta towns represented this year include the following:

Camrose—Skip Clyde Reeves, Jim Dabbs, No second given, Ray Giles; Skip George Spolie, Eddie Spolie, Ted Holmes, Bob Lysing.

Clyde—Skip Mike Scaber, Jack Hess, A. Zaczekowski, J. Coburn; Skip Rev. E. B. Brundage.

Forestburg—Eddie Fossen, Sig Comman, C. Clement, C. McLennan.

Hardisty—Skip L. Ecklund, George Mills, H. Bricker, L. J. Golka.

Lougheed—Skip O. Probat, L. Reed, D. Vagt, D. Cookson; Skip Cyril Hepworth.

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## New N.Y. TV Tower To Soar 1,449 Feet

NEW YORK — A new 199-foot television tower, to be used jointly by several stations, is to be erected on the highest spot in town — the top of the 1,250-foot Empire State Building, the world's tallest structure, a total of 1,449 feet above street level.

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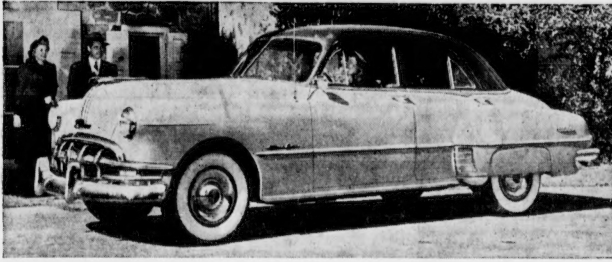
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### B.C. Fishermen Expect Big Herring Catch

VANCOUVER — Beating through high-running seas and a bitter Arctic wind, more than 100 herring seiners are back on the bleak waters of the fishing grounds.

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### Suez Canal Tolls End For Passengers

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Summarizing "important factors on the side of stability," the B of M points to the lack of "reckless optimism" in Canada's post-war economic expansion; to the absence, by and large, of dangerously speculative positions in inventories; to the level of private debt which, though rising, had not become "unduly high"; and to the non-existence of any large volume of stock market speculation "precisely poised on a foundation of borrowed money."

"One of the most reassuring elements in the outlook," the statement notes, "is the probability that new capital investment in plant, equipment and housing will continue on a large scale. Home building was expected to continue "with little abatement" in 1950. The demand for schools, hospitals, highways and public utility facilities was still "impressively large."

**EXPORT FLOW SLOWS**

"It is in overseas trade that immediate difficulties are most apparent," the B of M says. However, after sizing up the situation, it concludes that "if the U.S. market for our exports remain strong, prospective reductions in shipments to other countries would have a relatively small effect on our total export trade."

The upturn in American business since last summer and the general optimism there minimized the possibility of any sharp general drop in U.S. demand for Canadian products in the immediate future. There seemed reasonable hope that "the Canadian dollar proceeds of exports to the U.S. would be well maintained during the present year."

After discussing the uncertain outlook for Canadian exports to Britain, western Europe and other soft currency areas, the bank finds it "difficult to avoid the conclusion that total exports of Canadian merchandise will be down somewhat in 1950" although "the aggregate decline is not likely to be of catastrophic proportions."

The Canadian appetite for imported capital and consumer goods will probably remain high, the review comments. It was possible that Canada's favorable balance of total merchandise trade, already

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reduced in the past year, might contract further in 1950 or even turn unfavorable "to a modest extent." However, the country was starting the year with reserves of gold and U.S. dollars somewhat improved.

**QUIETER PROSPECTS**

All this suggests that new capital investment, while possibly little reduced, will probably not increase. Export trade was likely to decline moderately. But these factors together counted for less than domestic demand for consumer goods and services. Last year this amounted to close to two-thirds of all expenditures on the nation's entire production.

However, a small rise in unemployment, a lessening margin of increase in labor income and a slight decline in farm income made it realistic to expect "some diminution of the flow of personal income and expenditure in 1950."

Summarizing its conclusions, the B of M believes that during 1950 there may be "an interruption" in the long upward trend in the volume of national production, which has increased by about 80 per cent between 1939 and 1949.

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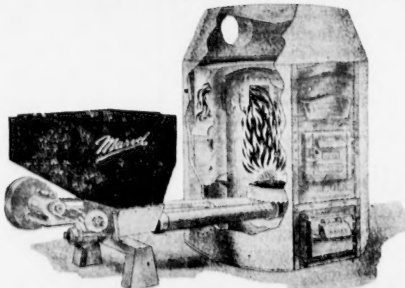
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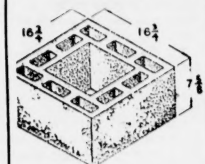
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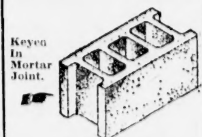
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## KEITH WOODALL STARRY NETMAN WITH STREAMHAM

By TOMMY GRAHAM  
Elongated Keith Woodall who guarded the nets for Edmonton Flyers last year is playing his hockey overseas this season.

The six-foot net-minder is "keeper of the cage" for Streamham—and according to all reports is enjoying a fine season. Old country papers are giving a goodly amount of play to baby-faced Woodall.

Photographer Jack Esten, of the Illustrated magazine, recently shot a colored snap of Woodall in action and Keith became a cover boy—the picture being prominently displayed on the cover of this famed magazine.

Woodall's play has come in for considerable praise this season and the lanky goaltender—said to be the tallest in the old country hockey circuits—played no small part in the initial defeat of Edmonton Waterloo Mercuys.

Keith saved all but one of the shots fired at him by sharp-shooting Mercury pucksters, while his mates rattled five past Edmonton's Wilbur Delaney.

South Edmonton's Dave Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Miller, 9663 7th Avenue, tallied the initial counter for Streamham and played a big role in their triumph. In scoring the goal, Dave humiliated his cousin, Wilbur Delaney.

Mercuys' were also high in their words of praise for Woodall's net-minding and even went so far as to say that they believed Keith played over his head just because he was determined to beat the Edmonton club.

Maybe so, but from all reports Keith has apparently been playing "over his head" all year. He has been nothing less than sensational in goal since the season started.

He admits he only enjoyed a mediocre season last year but believes he's hit his stride this semester.

The 23-year-old Army veteran, who joined the ranks of the beneficiaries last summer, is said to be netting around \$75 per week for his net-minding chores.

He likes performing in the old country circuit and claims that the hockey overseas is of high calibre.

Most of the players he points out are top ranking Canadian pucksters; he concedes the Mercuys a good chance of winning the world hockey title but doesn't think it will be any cinch for them.

Mercuys are a pretty fair bal-

## Jesse Owens Acclaimed As Greatest of Track Athletes

NEW YORK. — Jess Owens, who in one blazing afternoon broke five world records and tied a sixth and then went on to win four Olympic gold medals, has emerged in the Associated Press mid-century sports pool as the greatest track athlete of the era since 1900.

The tall Negro sprinter received 201 votes from the nation's sports editors and sportscasters. Jim Thorpe, the versatile Indian who won the Olympic Decathlon in 1912 only to lose his honors on professionalism charges, was second with 74. Thorpe has already won the AP pool as the greatest football player.

Third place was close between Paavo Nurmi, Finnish distance runner, with 31 votes, and Glenn Cunningham, the American distance ace, with 30.

### BID TEN MEET

Literally hundreds of thousands of athletes have tried to smash standard world track records, but never before—nor since—did one man accomplish as much in so short a space of time as Owens did on May 25, 1935, in the Big Ten track meet at Ann Arbor, Mich.

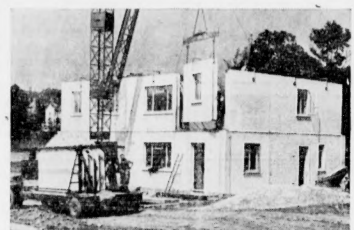
Competing for Ohio State University, he tied the 100-yard record at :09.4, and set new world marks of :20.3 for 220 yards, :22.6 for the 220-yard low hurdles, and 26ft., 8 1/4-in. for the broad jump.

Since 200 meters is a trifle shorter than 200 yards, Owens' times in the 220-yard dash and 220-yard hurdles also were accepted as world records at the metric distances. All these as-

anced club in Woodall's opinion, several of the players being capable of lining up with any senior club in Canada or abroad.

Chances of Keith remaining in overseas hockey warfare for some time are bright, for Woodall is enjoying a fine season and he is sold on his club and its chance of being tops in the loop. At present they are in third place of the six team circuit.

In addition to Dave Miller, two other well known hockey figures hereabouts are playing in the same circuit. Mike Yashuk, who performed with Winnipeg and last season with Saskatoon, is a team mate of Woodall and Miller while Stubby Mann, former net minder with Lethbridge is guarding the cage for the league leading Wembley Monarchs, whom incidentally Edmonton Waterloo Mercuys defeated.



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## ST. ALBERT BRIEFS

ST. ALBERT.—The WI last met at the home of Mrs. F. Ball. There were only a few present on account of the drifting snow. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Bocock, Feb. 28. The roll call will be answered by a small gift suitable for overseas parcels.

A team of curlers from Western Breweries played and tied with a local team one afternoon last week. All participants enjoyed a supper of Chicken Chow Mien at the home of Stan Hauptman. There are some nice prizes to be won at the bonspiel beginning Feb. 13. Get your names on the board.

Midnight supper guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Veness on Monday night were Mr. and Mrs. J. Rouault, Mr. and Mrs. E. Cherot, Mr. and Mrs. P. Girard and a couple from St. Sack, Mr. and Mrs. H. Vague and Mr. and Mrs. H. Benion. The chicken and French pies didn't last long.

Mrs. F. Parisian is in hospital, very ill.

The community annual meeting met last Thursday. All the executive were returned except that of Vice-President Mr. Sumner, resigned.

Karl Hauptman is home from hospital—better but weak. Don't try lifting cars, just push.

The Curling Club will sponsor a dance on Feb. 10, the WI on Feb. 14, and Students' Union on Feb. 21.

We have a new town secretary, Mr. Marshall from Edmonton. The office is next door to Perron's store.

Mrs. W. Maloney will complete the school term in the Grade 7 room in place of Mrs. MacMillan. Mrs. Sumner substituted for Mr. Fitzpatrick Monday when he had an operation on a finger.

Mrs. Vague was in bed three days with the flu. Miss Wolnievitz took over the two rooms. Mrs. Vague has been without her voice for over two weeks. Restful, eh?

The Boy Scouts are planning a banquet for the week of the 20th.

Mr. Lavoie is in hospital with eye ulcers. One eye will have to be removed to save the other.

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## Sorry—No Pictures

ST. ALBERT.—At the Board of Trade banquet in honor of the Dussault family several flash photos were taken. They would have been good pictures, too, but due to wrong adjustments in the camera, none of the shots turned out worth publication.

We are sorry for this, and hope next time to do better with our amateurish photography efforts.

The Editor.

## Morinville Community Sports Association

MORINVILLE.—The fifth annual meeting of the Morinville Community Sports Association was held in the hall annex Jan. 31, 1956. Twenty-three members were present.

The meeting was called to order at 9 p.m. and on a motion by Mr. E. Letourneau, seconded by Mr. R. Meunier, Mr. L. Larose was nominated chairman. All in favor. Carried.

On a motion by Mr. H. McDonald seconded by Mr. C. Krauskopf, the minutes of the last annual meeting were adopted as read. All in favor. Carried.

Balloting followed and duly elected were: President, J. O. Patry; vice-president, M. Tellier; secretary, D. E. Corneley; treasurer, L. Larose; directors: R. Meunier, C. Krauskopf, A. Quellette.

Appointed auditors for year 1956: A. Soetart and W. Ellett.

The financial statement for the year 1949 was read and on a motion by Mr. A. Soetart, seconded by Mr. C. Krauskopf, it was adopted as read.

The financial statement will appear in a future issue.

A lively discussion followed as to the possibilities of a curling rink in our town.

It was moved by Mr. E. Chevalier that we form a three-man committee to see the possibilities of building a curling rink and interesting all local organizations in this project. Seconded by Mr. W. Ellett. All in favor. Carried.

Appointed curling committee: U. Chevalier, A. Soetart and E. Chevalier.

On a motion meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

## Ceremony Unites Couple At Namao

NAMAO.—Bright bouquets of early spring flowers decorated the United Church here one afternoon this week for the marriage of Marguerite Jean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Akins of St. Albert, and Mr. Clayton Lee Crozier, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Crozier of Namao.

Mr. Akins gave his daughter in marriage in the double ring ceremony performed by Rev. J. R. Gordon.

For her wedding the bride chose a gown of Valenciennes lace over satin, fashioned with long pointed sleeves and a full net skirt gathered at a low waistline. Her floor-length veil of embroidered net was gathered to a coronet of orange blossoms and she carried a shower bouquet of red roses. Her jewelry was a triple strand of pearls.

Attending her was her sister, Mrs. John Rowsell as maid of honor and Miss Eileen Moen as bridesmaid.

They wore long gowns of blue crepe and pink tulle, respectively with matching chapel veils gathered to coronets of split carnations, and matching mittens. Both carried bouquets of spring blossoms.

The groom was attended by his

brother, Mr. Hugh Crozier, and ushers were Mr. Warren Gauthier and Mr. John Rowsell.

Miss Barbara Potter played the music for the wedding and while the register was being signed Mrs. Roy Kittlitz sang "I'll Walk Beside You."

For her daughter's wedding Mrs. Akins chose a moss green crepe frock with matching accessories and Tallisman roses on corsage. Mrs. Crozier, mother of the bridegroom, was in a grey afternoon dress with a grey model hat and a corsage of pink roses.

A reception for about 300 guests was held at the home of the bride's parents, later in the afternoon and evening.

## ALCOMDALE NEWS

ALCOMDALE.—The New England school attendance was affected very little during the cold weather. The vans never missed a day.

Don Rye had the misfortune to lose his new chicken house and chickens by fire recently.

The Home and School Study Group meet each Tuesday with Mr. Murray as their leader. They listen to the radio broadcast "In Search of Ourselves," followed by an interesting discussion.

Perhaps that the weather has moderated the second Monday of each month alternately at Alcomdale school and Independence hall. Mr. Elwood Benson is president, Mr. A. Mills, vice-president; Mrs. Arthur Ellett, secretary-treasurer; Mr. Ward Fulton, program; Mrs. E. Ellett, social; Mrs. R. Whitson and Mr. D. Whitson, membership committee.

Perhaps that the weather has moderated the Alcomdale Community League will be having dances again. We hope it will be soon.

The Independence WI had their

January meeting at the home of Mrs. S. Whitson. The February meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Arthur Ellett.

Word recently received from Wainman, Alta., that the mercury dipped to "Made in U.S.A." then disappeared. B-r-r, guess we won't move there for warmth.

Miss Marjorie Rye spent the last week-end of January with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rye. We hope you'll do it again soon, Marj.

Alice Brennels is attending mechanical school in Calgary. He should be a valuable asset to the Mills Garage staff when he returns.

Ward Fulton is spending a short time in an Edmonton hospital.

Harris Mitchell is at home with his parents at present.

The inspectors have completed interviewing the farmers concerning the PFPA payments in this district.

January went out like the proverbial March lion, leaving nearly all the roads snowbound, after Mr. Perrot's good work of having them snow-plowed.

## New Ski Slide Busy Place

SANGUDO.—In spite of the cold weather the new ski slide was a busy place on Sunday. Some of the boys built an improvised ramp, and were making some spectacular jumps from it.

Ernie Wiggins, Bucky Perrin and Glen Kerr all cleared between 21 and 24 feet, ending up out on the ice of the river right side up (well most of the time anyway).

## Broken Arm!

WHITECOURT.—Cliff King suffered double fracture of the right arm when he fell while adjusting binding chains on a load of lumber he was hauling for the Western Construction Company.

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